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# MidTerm Overall Evaluation Report



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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

After numerous meetings with telemedicine, DCI, and a biostatistician, a complete protocol was submitted to Walter Reed Army Medical Center Department of Clinical Investigations (WRAMC-DCI) on 14-December 2001. The protocol will be reviewed by WRAMC-DCI on 8 January 2002. Other accomplishments: -A full time research assistant was hired in August. -Much progress was made after several meetings with Dr. Gregory Fant, the biostatistician. Dr. Fant helped to simplify the proposed project and develop it into a demonstration study.

PI's Accomplishment Evaluation: : Project Accomplishments Match Proposal

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## PROBLEMS

There have been several interruptions to the progress of this project. The power outage at WRAMC in late August delayed work throughout the hospital for over a week, including use of library computers for researching purposes. The events of 11 September also delayed progress on the project due to the intense involvement of the principle investigator with the victims at the Pentagon for several weeks.

PI's Problem Area Evaluation: : Project encountered some problems/issues

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## LIFE-CYCLE

Despite delays, we will continue with the project as planned, taking into account the revisions made. The proposal will be reviewed by WRAMC-DCI on 8 January 2002. After acceptance by WRAMC-DCI we will begin to enroll subjects in the project. Revisions made to the original project include transition from an experimental project to a demonstration project. We will be demonstrating how well-being and patient satisfaction of telemedicine patients differ from well-being and patient satisfaction of patients receiving traditional follow-up care. Well being will also include use of medication and the medical system. These changes were made because there are no previous studies found involving psychiatric follow-up, well-being, and telemedicine. It is important to have a demonstration project such as this in the telemedicine literature in order to develop similar statistically measurable projects.

PI's Life-Cycle Evaluation: : Project encountered some problems/issues

**DELIVERABLES**

The final result of the project will be data describing the feasibility of the use of telemedicine for follow-up care for medical patients with psychiatric sequelae. A paper will be written and submitted for publication.

PI's Deliverables Evaluation: : Deliverable is on schedule per Proposal

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**Expenditures**

Element of Resource (EOR)	1ST Quarter Oct 1 - Dec 31	2nd Quarter Jan 1 - Mar 31
Travel 2100	\$0.00	\$0.00
Shipping 2200	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rent & Communications 2200	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contract for Services 2500	\$15,000.00	\$37,882.00
Supplies 2600	\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment 3100	\$0.00	\$0.00

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**Financial Narrative:**

No deviations to the budget were made.

PI's Financial Evaluation: : Deliverable is on schedule per Proposal

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